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Idaho Garden Bean Seed Acreage, Production, and Value

A garden bean seed survey was conducted in Idaho for the 2012 crop year by the National Agricultural Statistics Service. Idaho's garden bean seed production was estimated at 19.0 million pounds, down 14 percent from the 22.0 million pounds produced in 2011. A total of 9,700 acres of garden bean seed was harvested in Idaho for the 2012 crop, 2,300 acres less than 2011. Production and acreage were at the lowest level since estimates began in 1995. The average clean yield per harvested acre was 1,960 pounds, up from the average yield of 1,830 pounds achieved in 2011. The farm level value of production for the 2012 crop was \$12.4 million, down 9 percent from the \$13.6 million for the 2011 crop. Average price for the 2012 crop was \$65.00 per cwt, a record high.